

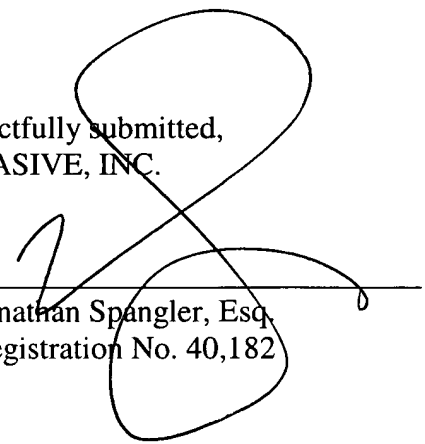
REMARKS

Claims 2-12, 14-21, and 23-27 are currently pending in this application. In the Office Action mailed July 14, 2004, claims 2, 3, 6-8, 18, and 19 were allowed and the Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for this allowance. Claims 4, 5, 9-12, 14-17, 20, 21, and 23-27 were rejected. Through this amendment claims 4, 5, 9-12, 14-17, 20, 21, and 23-27 have been canceled without prejudice. In light of these cancellations the rejections are moot. As such, Applicant believes the application is in proper condition for allowance and requests an indication of the same.

CONCLUSION

The foregoing amendment has been submitted to place the present application in condition for allowance. A favorable indication of allowance is respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions concerning this Amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution may be expedited.

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